Statement V

Projects Approved Under IDDP during the 9th plan

Sl. No.	State/Project	Year	Approved outlay (Amount Rs. in Lakh)
1	Bihar-III(Kaimur)	1997-98	67.25
2	Bihar-IV(Madhubani)	1997-98	66.30
3.	Himachal Pradesh	1997-98	805.95
4.	Maharashtra-II	1997-98	1941.55
5.	Nagaland-II	1998-99	347.49
6.	Orissa-III	1998-99	621.84
7.	West Bengal-II	1998-99	140.83

ग्राम सभा जमुआंबा में एक पोल्ट्री काम्प्लेक्स बनाया जाना

2039. **श्री मुनव्वर हसन:** क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार को उत्तर प्रदेश में आजमगढ़ जिले के ग्राम सभा जमुआंबा के ग्रामीण क्षेत्र में एक पोल्ट्री काम्प्लेक्स की स्थापना करने संबंधी कोई प्रस्ताव प्राप्त हुआ था;

(ख) यदि हां, तो अब तक पोल्ट्री काम्प्लेक्स की स्थापना न करने के क्या कारण हैं; और

(ग) सरकार वहां पोल्ट्री की स्थापना कब तक करेगी?

कृषि मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सोमपाल): (क) आजमगढ़ सहित दस जिलों में कुक्कुट परिसरों की स्थापना के लिए उत्तर प्रदेश सरकार से अक्तूबर, 1995 में एक प्रस्ताव प्राप्त हुआ था।

(ख) और (ग) कुक्कुट परिसरों की स्थापना के लिए एक योजना की वित्त मंत्रालय के परामर्श से जांच की गई थी। समुचित विचार-विमर्श के बाद इस योजना को स्वीकार नहीं करने का फैसला किया गया।

Increase in Cotton Production

2040. **SHRI S. VIDUTHALAI VIRUMBI:** Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the situation regarding productivity of cotton per hectare during the last three years in India, Pakistan, China, USA and Israel;

(b) the action taken or proposed to be taken to increase the productivity of the cotton in India;

(c) the annual requirement of cotton in long staple fibre quality;

(d) the domestic production in that quality and how much import is necessary to keep the stability in the market price; and

(e) the actions taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL): (a) The productivity of cotton lint in India, Pakistan, China, USA and Israel during the last three years is as under:

(kg/hectare)

Country	1995	1996	1997
India	318	327	321
Pakistan	601	506	552
China	879	890	943
USA	602	792	769
Israel	1720	1759	1679

SOURCE: FAO's Production Year Book - 1997.

(b) With a view to increase production and productivity, a centrally sponsored scheme, namely, Intensive Cotton Development Programme is being implemented in 11 major cotton growing states. Under this scheme, assistance is provided for production of breeder seeds, distribution of certified seeds, demonstration of production technology, pheromone traps and NPV (Nuclear Polyhydrosis Virus), integrated pest management demonstration cum-training (IPM), distribution of plant protection

equipments, supply of sprinkler sets, farmers' training and contingency for monitoring etc.

(c) The Cotton Advisory Board (CAB) which assesses the requirement of cotton for textile and non-textile consumption in the country makes such assessment for total requirement of cotton and not staple group-wise separately.

(d) and (e) As per estimates of CAB, production of long and extra long staple cotton during the years 1996-97 and 1997-98 is as under:

(In lakh bales)

Staple group	1996-97	1997-98
Long	68.45	71.00
Extra long	5.66	4.50

The CAB which assesses the demand-supply of cotton in the country has provisionally assessed the requirement of import of cotton as 2 lakh bales during 1998-99 season.

The import of cotton is currently under OGL with zero import duty, Hence, there is no restriction on import cotton and the textile mills are at liberty to import cotton of any staple variety/quantity and from any country of their choice.

Fishing Harbours in Orissa

2041. SHRI ANANTA SETHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the places of Orissa where fishing harbours are being constructed at present;

(b) whether the proposals for the establishment of some fishing harbours in that State are pending with Government;

(c) if so, what are those pending proposals; and

(d) the details of the steps taken by Government to give those proposals administrative approvals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL): (a) The Dhamra Stage-II minor fishing harbour in Bhadrak district is under construction in Orissa.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) Does not arise.

Assistance to Assam Agricultural University

2042. SHRI DRUPAD BORGOHAIN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) how much assistance have been given to the Assam Agricultural University, Jorhat by the ICAR in last three years; and

(b) whether Government have any proposal to fund the university for research work in the coming years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL): (a) Over Rs. 10.34 crores have been given to Assam Agricultural University, Jorhat by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) in the last three years.

(b) The Council will continue to fund Assam Agricultural University through All India Coordinated Research Project (AICRP), Adhoc Schemes and Revolving fund schemes in future also. Two adhoc schemes for funding through the A.P. Cess Fund of ICAR for Fishery College of Assam Agricultural University are in pipeline. A Seed Technology Research Centre and AICRP on under-utilised crops have also been proposed during IXth Plan. In addition, Catch-up Grant for upgradation and modernisation of infrastructure and laboratory facilities has also been proposed during IXth Plan.

Vegetables Production in Kerala

2043. SHRI J. CHITHARANJAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Kerala Government has submitted a project for increasing vegetable production to attain self-sufficiency in the State seeking financial assistance for the same; and

(b) if so, the details of the project and Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Government of Kerala submitted a project proposal for increasing vegetable production to attain self-sufficiency in the State. On the